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GRACE
CHANGES EVERYTHING



WEEK 11 | The Attitude of the Gifted

PRAYER

Loving Father, thank you for the Word of God and the godly instructions that are laid out for the Church, especially in the letters of Paul. In hope, may I rejoice and endure in tribulation, and may I persevere as I press on to the goal of my calling, in Jesus' name, Amen.

From [Prayer Knowing Jesus](#)

WARM UP (OPTIONAL)

Do you have an unusual talent or ability? Can you share what it might be?

NOTES

WORD

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

[ROMANS 12:3-13](#)

As great as it is to recognise the areas of giftedness that we might have, it is so much more vital that we recognise the people that God has called us to serve using the spiritual gifts that he has given us. Our giftedness is given to us as a means to do everything that is listed in verses 9 onwards.

With our gifts, we can:

vs 9 - show genuine love

vs 9 - resist temptation and hold onto God's goodness

vs 10 - show brotherly love

vs 10 - outdo each other with honour

vs 11 - be zealous and fervent spiritually

vs 11 - serve Jesus

vs 12 - maintain and rejoice in hope

vs 12 - be patient in hardship

vs 12 - be constant in prayer

vs 13 - be generous and hospitable

GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

1. **FIRSTLY** - Write down the people that god has called you to reach (this must be done first.) **SECONDLY** - Try this spiritual gifts test (<https://s3.amazonaws.com/bhpub/edoc/DOC-Spiritual-Gifts-Survey.pdf>). Once you have gotten the results, think about how God might use you to serve the people that you wrote down.
2. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = none at all; 10 always consistent), how do you rate your effort spent using or growing in the talents that you have? Why have you rated yourself this way?
3. What might be ways that we can check that we don't think of ourselves more highly than we ought to?
4. Would you like to trust in God who is our source of GENUINE LOVE with every area your life? Would you like to enter into a saving relationship with God through Jesus? Ask your Life Group leader to lead you in prayer to receive Christ. You can pray this prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite you to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow you as my Lord and Saviour. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PRAYER